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Catch Shoplifter In North End Store

A shoplifter was apprehended in the North End Food Store Friday, March 3, according to Bassett Ferguson, assistant general manager of Greenbelt Consumer Services. The North End store has been operating in the red for some time, he said, and the pilferage has been suspected as partially responsible for the losses. Recent daily tallies have shown that considerable merchandise was disappearing during the day without being paid for. Careful watching on the part of the store personnel brought results Friday, when a woman was seen leaving the store without paying for several items she had selected. Store Manager Hugh Hawkins called the Greenbelt police department. Officer Attick arrived promptly and obtained a return of the merchandise and a confession from the offender. Charges are being pressed.

GCS management appeals to all patrons of the North End store for their cooperation in being alert while in the store, reporting suspicious action to the store manager. For GCS to be able to continue to maintain the store as a service for the North End, it must eliminate pilferage losses, Ferguson said. Signs are being posted in the store emphasizing this to the shoppers.

St. Patrick's Dance Set For March 17

One week from tomorrow night on Friday, March 17, the "green" in Greenbelt takes on its true significance when the city frolics at the annual St. Patrick's Day dance in the community building acditorium. There—says the announcement—you will find the Olsens doing as foine a jig as the Monahans and the O'Sullivans hard put to keep up with the blarney of the Schmidts. There'll be cavorting to 'When Casey Lowers the Boom'—tears shed to the strains of 'Mother Machree'—hilarity with 'Who Put the Overalls in Mrs. Murphy's Chowder'—all in honor of those doughty folk of Erin whose ancestors seem to be more numerous than the sands of the Irish Sea.

Bill McNaecker with his O'Trumpet and McOrchestra will supply the lilting tunes from 9:30 p.m. 'til 1 a.m., and as a special attraction will offer an old-fashioned Irish song fest in keeping with the occasion.

George Holland is general chairman and Tom Holland ticket chairman. The dress is optional so long as it contains a spot of green.

Car Stolen On Ridge Road

William A. Moore, 36-G Ridge Road, this week reported the theft of his car from the open garage in the 37 court of Ridge Road. He stated that he had parked the car on Wednesday night, March 1, and when he went to get it Friday morning it was gone.

The car was a 1940 black Plymouth 2-door sedan, bearing Maryland license 498-645. The car was locked when he left it and had about half a tank of gasoline.

Mr. Moore is offering a reward of $25 for information leading to the recovery of the car and the arrest of the thief. Anyone having such information should phone Greenbelt 5702, or Greenbelt 2011.

Brotherhood Group Turns Over Proceeds

Greenbelt's Brotherhood Committee turned over to the National Conference of Christians and Jews this week a check for $31.10. This amount represents earnings on the advance sale of tickets to the picture "Lost Boundaries," after deducting expenses of the meeting featuring Harold Russeel which was attended by over 300 people.

Thirty educational, social, and religious organizations in Greenbelt cooperated in observing Brotherhood Week here.

Discussion Group Sends Goat Abroad

The Community Church Women's Discussion Group recently sent a contribution to purchase a goat for Okinawa, through "Heifers For Relief," an inter-faith relief project. Of the 100,000 goats on Okinawa before the war, only 2,000 survived the heavy fighting, causing widespread starvation and suffering since goats are the main source of meat and milk for the islanders. "Heifers For Relief" is an attempt to provide these people with the means to produce their own food again and alleviate the effects of war damage to farms.

An indication of the care that the goats receive is the fact that for every goat delivered two years ago, there are now five. However, the need for goats continues to be great because it will be a long time before their original pre-war number is restored.

The army underwrites all shipping costs, so that fifty dollars buys a goat and provides for the testing, feed, and transportation to shipside.



Bloodmobile To Visit City On March 16

The American Red Cross Bloodmobile will be in Greenbelt at the Center school auditorium on Thursday, March 16, from 1 to 7 p.m. Recruitment chairman will be Guy Moore, assisted by Mrs. J. L. Rogers, Sr.

The federal manager, city manager, postmaster, and manager of GCS have assured Mr. Moore that they will give permission for any of their employees to take time off from work to donate blood without being charged leave for it. The bloodmobile visits the county twice each month, and all blood collected is stored at the Washington Center for all county residents, regardless of whether they are in a county hospital or a Washington hospital. If the county is short of its requirements for blood it may draw on the Washington Center as needed. There is no charge made for the blood, although an administration fee is charged by the hospital and varies in price with the hospital. The blood program is carried on by county people to serve county residents, and since the bloodmobile visits the county it is not necessary to go to the center in Washington. Donors may indicate if they wish the blood to serve as a replacement for a friend or relative who has recently needed to draw on the blood bank.

A donor must be in good health, weighing at least 110 pounds, between the ages of 21 and 59. Persons 18 to 21 will be accepted only upon written permission from parent or guardian. A doctor is always present, and blood is taken by specially-trained registered nurses. The donor should not come hungry. For appointment call Guy Moore, 2691, or fill out coupon below and leave at the drug store.

I will be a donor on:

Date Time

My address

Phone

Name

Schools Stay Open During Virus Siege

Greenbelt, like other communities in the area, is in the midst of what appears to be an epidemic of a disease generally diagnosed as a virus infection, according to public health spokesman.

While in some communities school and health authorities have closed the schools for the duration of the epidemic, Charles T. McDonald, Greenbelt city manager, told **The Cooperator** last night that the illness is not considered serious enough to warrant closing of local schools. In addition, he said, county public health officials do not recommend closing of the schools because the epidemic is not limited to children, and keeping school children at home would be ineffective as a control of the disease.

"We have been in constant touch with Prince Georges County health authorities for guidance during the past week," McDonald said, "and although the extent of reported absenteeism does indicate that the epidemic stage has been reached, we have no plans to close the schools."

Five-Man Dissident Group Demands 1200 GVHC Members Make Terms

The five members of the newly-formed Greenbelt Homes Cooperative Association this week stipulated six points on which the 1200 members of Greenbelt Veteran Housing Corporation must agree before a "satisfactory settlement" of "differences" between the two organizations can be effected.

Demanded by the five were the following:

1. A mail vote.

2. The encouragement of open and free competition for businesses in the community.

3. The "continuation of our Management Contract which provides for sound and stable administration with economy and efficiency."

4. Other items, such as an equitable and fair agreement, to be settled between the attorneys representing either group.

5. The settle of all other issues by a mail vote referendum.

6. A new election of board members by a combined membership-wide vote.

Recognizes Advantage

In a letter dated March 4 to Mike Salzman, GVHC president, signed by Robert Dove, GHCA president, the proposed basis for agreement followed the statement that the week-old corporation recognizes the advantage of a unified mutual housing group to deal with Public Housing Administration in negotiating for the purchase of Greenbelt.

The two GVHC boards of directors, at their regular combined weekly meeting Monday night, heard membership chairman Anthony Madden report that although a membership crew of 75 had been canvassing the town for several weeks, people were still calling to say they had not yet been approached.

"We owe it to every citizen," Madden said, "to give him a personal interview with an informed member of our organization." At his suggestion, the boards unanifously agreed to extend the date until every resident has been interviewed.

Enrollment Booming

Asked whether the development of a rival purchasing group had affected the membership campaign, Madden said the number of new members had tripled since last week's announcement.

"We now have 165 new members," he said. "The almost unanimous reaction met by the membership interviewers since last week's announcement was an affirmation of confidence in the GVHC leaders who for nearly four years had been striving to achieve, with unity, the goal of all Greenbelters, the eventual purchase of their homes."

7 Teenagers Charged With Series Of Thefts

Two teen-age girls and five boys, all of Greenbelt, were taken to the Juvenile Court by the Greenbelt police on March 2, thus clearing up a series of petty robberies and check forgeries. All the cases were continued by Judge Alan Bowie pending investigation by the juvenile authorities.

The girls had forged checks which they cashed at the bank and food store. The boys had participated in a series of robberies whereby they broke into and stole small amounts from the library, the kindergarten, and the recreation office, and also broke into the variety store, though nothing was reported missing.

The Greenbelt police apprehended the boys within a week after the thefts were reported.

Women Voters Discuss Constitution March 15

Revision of Maryland's state constitution will be the subject of a county-wide meeting of the League of Women Voters of Prince Georges County on Wednesday, March 15, at 8 p.m. in the Maryland room, on the University of Maryland campus. Dr. W. Brooke Graves, of the Library of Congress, legislative reference section, will speak on "What Should be in a Constitution."

Dr. Graves is chairman of the committee on state government of the National Municipal League, whose members include public administration officials and experts in political science and government. This committee has published the fifth edition of a model state constitution, which was first published in 1921. The standards of the model constitution are well ahead of common practice, but it has served as a guide to members of constitutional conventions, and has exerted a considerable influence on the development of state consitutions in the last quarter century. Dr. Graves is the author of a book published in 1945, entitled "American State Government."

Also at this meeting the board of directors of the Maryland League will present a skit entitled "Alterations - 1950." The "Know Your Constitution" committee of the League will present a panel discussion on some provisions of the state constitution, and there will be a question period for the audience. Officers and members of the county's leading civic and service clubs as well as state, county and municipal officials have been invited to attend.

D. C. Phones Dial Greenbelt Direct

Greenbelters who have tried recently to phone their homes from Washington were surprised to be told by the operator that they could now get Greenbelt numbers by dialing. On February 23 the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company added a dial tandem board which distributes calls to Greenbelt from Washington as well as from the following Silver Spring exchanges: Juniper, Sligo, and Shep-

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Lighting Effects To Be Dramatized

Borrowing the slogan of a popular electric company, we might say that it's "light housekeeping time" in Prince George's County. Homemakers everywhere are becoming light conscious, according to a recent release from the University of Maryland's Agriculture and Home Economics Department.

George Clark, nationally known illuminating engineer for Sylvania Electric Company, New York, has consented to present the new in fluorescent lighting and will dramatize its use in the home, by means of shadow boxes, the effect of lighting on chintzes, rugs, and curtains.

This is an opportunity to hear Mr. Clark and the public is invited. This demonstration will be held in the Presbyterian Church, District Heights, Maryland, on March 13, at 10:30 a.m.

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We're Not Amused

The insulting effrontery and false innuendo with which the 5 members of the embryonic me-too housing group pitch their take-it-or-leave-it "compromise" offer at the 1200 members of the Greenbelt Veteran Housing Corporation leave the reasonable reader gasping.

"We won't gum up the works for mutual housing," they say in effect, "if you'll play ball our way."

Their way, however, in some instances conflicts with the basic tenets of democracy, as well as with the by-laws of GVHC. The decision by a small group of people on matters that vitally affect an entire city is unthinkable. A mail vote? There are good arguments for and against this procedure. It eliminates squabbling, but at the same time eliminates constructive debate and the interchange of ideas. The decision is too important, in any event, to be decided by a few people.

The insinuation, in point 2 of the five-man ultimatum, that the 1200 GVHC members are opposed to "open and free competition for all business in the community" needs no comment.

The third demand—"continuation of our management contract"—is the grossest attempt at intimidation of the majority by a weak minority that Greenbelt has ever witnessed.

We can't quarrel with the fourth point because we don't understand it.

We've already expressed ourselves on the first point, and since the fifth repeats it, we'll conserve space.

We doubt very much that adding the five votes of "GHCA" to the several hundred in GVHC who recently elected two seven-man boards of directors would substantially change the outcome—even if a quorum would appear for a repeat performance.

This attitude of the little boy who'll destroy the game if it isn't played his way might be slightly amusing in a child, but is highly obnoxious in the case of adults.

However, judging by the reactions of most of the residents called on by GVHC membership campaigners, it may prove highly salutary to that organization.

Come On

The Cooperator last week reaffirmed its belief that it pays to advertise. Our plea for help brought three (count 'em) new staff members!

A little more help and first thing you know we'll be putting out an eight-page *Cooperator* again! That is, if some kind soul will take on the long-neglected job of ad soliciting. He'll get paid off in more than thanks, too. (That's all the editorial staff gets, when it's lucky.) Those that bring in the bacon get a slice—10 percent of all revenue directly attributable to their efforts.

Here are the jobs that are open at present:

Ad solicitor. This involves calling on businesses in shopping areas adjacent to Greenbelt, armed with pretty copies of *The Cooperator,* a rate schedule, and contract blanks. Concerted efforts in this direction have always paid off in the past; but staff members have been too busy putting out a four-page newspaper to go get the wherewithal to pay for a bigger one. Once a contract is landed —say for $20 an issue—the solicitor gets $2 a week as long as the contract remains in force. If he's successful in getting many such contracts, he not only gets monetary returns, but the satisfaction of making it possible for Greenbelt to have a paper that meets the community's space requirements. The initial results can be accomplished in a few hours on several consecutive Saturday afternoons. Feriodic phone calls to keep the advertiser happy help keep the contract going.

Reporters. There are several beats currently being covered by reporters or other staff members so heavily overloaded that only the most cursory sort of coverage is possible. The police reporter, for example, is at present a combination of the editor, the news editor, and any other staff member who hears a siren blow or a neighbor gossip. For county news we are currently dependent on publicity chairmen of county organizations. This makes it very difficult to discriminate between propaganda and news. We would like to emphasize that the essentials of a good reporter are curiosity and tenacity. The copyreader's pencil reassembles most of the copy that comes in anyway, just on general principles.

Copyreaders. For this job one does need special aptitudes and attitudes. The copyreader must be convinced that no reporter knows where to put a comma. He lights on a mistake like a duck on a June bug. He probably has more fun, in a sadistic, copyreader-type way, than anyone else on the staff. His job is limited to office hours—Monday and Tuesday nights from eight or so until—well, that depends on how many there are to help him.

Proofreaders. He hates the printer. He howls with glee over typos, but always resists the temptation to leave one in that he can later clip and send to the *New Yorker.* He works on Wednesday nights. This is a job for those who think sleep is essential to good health, because the job takes only an hour or so.

Dirty Workers. There's typing, for example. The typist is handed a bit of sloppy copy and is expected to figure out where that phrase encircled up in the righthand corner of the page should be inserted—before the three lines that are crossed out, or were they meant to be put back in? And someone has to make coffee. Somehow, last week the last ones to leave (at an unmentionable a.m. hour) thought it would be easier to wash the cups some other time. There are other jobs that we wait and spring on people only after they've been on the staff long enough that we think they can take it.

We won't have a very high opinion of the intelligence of anyone who'll take any of these jobs, but we sure will love him!

Catholic Men To Hear A. F. Captain Gentile

Air Force Ace Captain Don Gentile will be one of a trio of guest speakers at the regular monthly meeting of the Holy Name Society Wednesday, March 15, at 8:45 p.m. in St. Hugh's parish hall. A movie of the'Gator Bowl game on New Year's Day between the University of Maryland and the University of Missouri will be shown. All men of the parish and their sons are invited.

Other speakers will be George L. Carroll, athletic publicity director of the University of Maryland, and Gene Kinney, one of the team's assistant football coaches and former captain and center on the team.

To the Editor

DIFFERENCES

We will refrain at this time from questioning the editorial comment made by the **Cooperator.** We hope, however, that you will correct an inaccuracy which crept into your news column.

The statement in your March 2 issue that "Salzman reported on unsuccessful attempts to meet with representatives of another group . . ." is substantially incorrect.

Mr. Salzman has been in close contact with a party instructed to represent this group and as a matter of fact, even at that time a meeting was arranged by him to discuss our differences. As a result of that meeting, we have submitted to GVHC a possible basis of settlement as outlined in the attached letter.

We sincerely hope that your news column will make this information available to the citizens of Greenbelt.

President, Greenbert Homes
Cooperative Association
ROBERT F. DOVE,

AMERICANA

In reading the Letters to the Editor in the Evening Star, I notice that one of my pleasant and charming neighbors, Margaret Ashelman, shares my propensity for sometimes expressing herself in a letter to the editor. I admire her spunk.

It is interesting to me that even though her expressions are critical of both the newspaper and the status quo and shared in by only a small minority of our citizens, the Evening Star in accordance with their philosophy of a free press have no hesitation in publishing them. This is a typical bit of Americana which should be transplanted to Greenbelt where critical letters, many times expressing a majority opinion, are drastically suppressed.

A. C. Long.

P. S. As a new name, have you thought of The Weakly Worker?

A district meeting for Girl Scout and Brownie leaders, assistants and all committee members will be held on Tuesday night, March 14, at 8 o'clock in the scout room.

COMMUNITY CHURCH PROTESTANT

Ministers
Rev. Edward H. Bonsall, Jr.
Phone: 8241
Rev. Eric T. Braund
Phone: 5001

Sunday, March 12 - 9:30 a.m., combined Sunday School. 10 a.m., Men's Bible Class; Young People's Discussion Group. 11 a.m., Rev. Bonsall will preach in the series on Personalities of the New Testament. Topic of sermon: "The Man Who Climbed a Tree." 3:30 p.m., Pastor's class for boys and girls at home of Rev. Braund, 7 Forestway. 7 p.m., Pilgrim Fellowship joint meeting with Christ Congregational Church, Silver Spring. Mr. Braund will speak. Cars leave Center school 6:15 p.m.

This is the Sunday for the "One Great Hour of Sharing" program. The Protestant and Eastern Orthodox Churches will make a concerted appeal, as last year, for relief, reconstruction and Church World Service. Listen in on your radio (see newspaper ads). Give through your Church.

Monday, March 13 - 8 p.m., Evening Guild at home of Mrs. Philip Werner, 39-K Ridge.

Wednesday, March 15 - 8 p.m., Choir practice in Center school. 8 p.m., special meeting of Board of Trustees, second floor of Center school.

Thursday, March 16 - 7 p.m., Junior Choir practice, Center school. 7:30 p.m., Important meeting of all Sunday School officers and teachers from both North End and Center schools at Center school. 8:15 p.m., Discussion group meets at Mrs. John Littleton's, 1-C Westway.

MOWATT MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

Russell B. Reed, Minister
Phone SHepherd 0035

Sunday, March 12 - Sunday School, 9:45. Classes for every age group. You are cordially invited to come and bring your children. Morning worship, 11 a.m. Sermon topic: This Question of the Master.

Tuesday, March 14 - The Methodist Men will bowl at College Park at 9 p.m.

Friday, March 17 - The Adult Choir will meet in the Church at 7:30 p.m.

March 5-12 - A week of dedication. Deep in the heart of the Methodist Church there is something fine and reassuring. It is the experience of God in the inner life of the Believer.

A cordial welcome awaits you when you worship at Woodlandway and Forestway.

American College Co-ops Subject Of WCFM Program

The March 13 WCFM program, "Co-ops at Work," will feature "Co-operatives on American College Campuses" as its subject. This is one of a series sponsored each Monday by the Potomac Cooperative Fedration.

Bob Broadbent, Greenbelt Consumer Services representative, will assist on the program, and there will be a background of American folk music.

GREENBELT LUTHERAN CHURCH

Rev. Edwin E. Pieplow, Minister
Phone WA. 0942

Thursday, March 9—Choir meets in the home of Mrs. Holien, 2-F Plateau, 8 p.m. Lenten service in Landover Hills, Chapel of the Ascension, 8:15 p.m. Pastor Pieplow's sermon will be "The Parental Word."

Friday, March 10—The Men's Club will meet in the home of Lyman Henderson, 3-N Research, 8 p.m.

Sunday, March 22 - Sunday School at 11:30. Adult Bible Class at 12 noon. Church service at 12:30. Holy Communion. Pastor's sermon topic, "Choose You a Man for this Nation." Evening service with open forum discussion on the fundamental doctrines of the Lutheran Church. The pastor will broadcast on the Lutheran Hour today on the American Broadcasting System at 3:30 p.m. from Washington; also the next two Sundays. He will broadcast over the Mutual chain in June.

Wednesday, March 15—Lenten services in Mt. Rainier, 30th and Bunker Hill Rd., 7 and 8:15. The sermon will be "The Perplexing Word." Mission contribution envelopes can be dropped in the collection plate Sunday along with contributions to the Lutheran Laymen's League.

There are vacancies on the flower chart. Pick a Sunday on which you can commemorate some personal occasion and beautify the altar.

ST. HUGH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Rev. Victor J. Dowgiallo, Pastor

All services in the church; the chapel is no longer in use as a chapel.

Confessions: Saturday, 3 to 5 p.m. for children and 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. for adults.

Sunday Masses: 7:30, 8:30, 9:30 and 11 a.m. Holy Communion Sunday for the Holy Name Society at the 7:30 Mass.

Wednesday: Stations of the Cross at 2:15 p.m. novena services, sermon and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 8 p.m. in the evening.

Friday: Stations of the Cross at 3:30 in the afternoon, and at 8 p.m. followed by Benediction.

Daily Mass: 7 a.m. in the church.

St. Hugh's Parents To Meet March 14

Th regular monthly meeting of St. Hugh's Parents" Guild will be held on Tuesday, March 14, at 8:30 p.m. in the parish hall, according to Mrs. Joseph Loftus, guild president. Guest speaker will be Dr. William C. Manion, pathologist at Prince Georges General Hospital, who will discuss practical aspects of the Red Cross blood program.

Mrs. Frances P. Stouffer, public health nurse for Greenbelt, will also give a brief talk during the meeting.

Center PTA Hears Public Health Panel

The Center School PTA meeting held last Tuesday night featured as guest speakers Mrs. Frances Stouffer, public health nurse; Charles T. McDonald, city managr; and Dr. Charles Englar, Prince Georges public health officer. Their discussion topic was the public health program in Greenbelt.

Two officers were elected as replacements by the 23 members present at the meeting. Mrs. Mildred Kern is the new vice-president and Mrs. Edna May Galley is the new secretary.

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Personal Touch

By Doris Asbell Mednick, 3518

The American reputation for efficiency has been greeted by howls at our latest effort in time-study. This, in case you haven't taken the time to smile, is "National Smile Weke." Let's get all our smiling for the year accomplished this week, and all the time that has been spent in this aimless pastime this past week we assume will be put to other, more fruitful chores in the year ahead . . . but actually there's not much room for smiling in Greenbelt these days since so many of our citizens have been laid up with the local version of that "virus."

Mrs. Virginia Klem, 2-J Laurel Hill, was talking to a neighbor in the morning of that windy day last week while holding a $5 bill in her hand. The playful wind grabbed it out of her hand and blew it on high. Her neighbors scoured the neighborhood, but no $5 bill. But this time the ill wind blew good . . . for around 5:30 Mrs. Ruth Powell found it tacked to a bush at the farthest end of the court.

Who is that sweet little blonde living a 2-E Laurel Hill Road? She certainly is a beauty in these here parts. (Too late fellows, Dan Kosisky's got her.) Wait a minute, fellows, there's another cutie in town, Miss Terry Quinn, who is staying with the Evanosky's at 38-B Ridge until she makes up her mind whether to get an apartment in Washington or in Greenbelt. Perhaps she could be convinced in the favor of Grenebelt, huh? . . . Ann Walker is planning to go into the Sidney Lust Talent Contest. You shouldn't have a bit of trouble winning, Ann.

The Kan-Du Club is planning a "Dude Ranch" entertainment and dance for Friday, March 24. Watch for more information in an announcement next week.

"Barretts of Wimpole Street," now showing at the Gayety in Washington, boasts the presence of a Greenbelt alumnus in its cast: Thomas Poston, who lived with his mother, sister, and brother on Northway and attended school here, is playing the role of Captain Surtees Cook. His wife is also in the cast. "The Barretts" will be on the boards for two weeks.

Harry Griffin, 19-J Ridge Rd., Associated Press photographer, will accompany President Truman on his vacation jaunt to Key West, Florida. I offered to go along to carry the flash bulbs. No take. It's all in a week's work to Mr. Griffin, however, and there's very little drama to a picture of Truman shaking hands with people . . . so he looks out for more interesting shots.

Town Employee Mel Simms, electrician, who lives in Berwyn, is in mourning for his father who passed away Sunday and was buried on Wednesday .

The John J. Shaughness family (he's manager of the variety store) are spending ten days in New York . . . Larry Fink, 2-B Hillside, left Sunday by plane for a business trip to Denver, Colorado.

Major and Mrs. George Hodsdon are the parents of another daughter, Judith Ann, born February 9, 1950 in Weisbaden, Germany; their other daughter is Sandra Lee who was born in Greenbelt nine years ago when her daddy served as general manager of GCS . . . the Tanners, 14-A Laurel Hill, have a baby boy at their house.

Mr. and Mrs. George Kaufman, 48-D Ridge Rd., announce the Bar Mitzvah and 13th birthday of their son Teddy Kaufman at the community building, March 18, at 9:30 a.m. Everybody's' invited, too.

We'd like to welcome the Philbricks, formerly of Baltimore, now living at 8-L Laurel Hill, to Greenbelt. Mr. Philbrick is a student at U. of Md. . . . also the Melvin Abramowitz's and their two children from New York to 8-D Plateau Place. Mr. Abramowitz is connected with the National Institute of ealth at Bethesda . . . and Mr. and Mrs. Martin Bickford and their two children of New Haven, Conncticut, to 7-Q Research Rd. Mr. Bickford is a Civil Service examiner.

Fox Tales

Basketball: The Greenbelt basketball team played great ball and defeated the Washington Redskins by the score of 47 to 39. It was a very close game until the half, when the Greenbelt team took over for the rest of the game. Rennie Ward and Ted Fox were the outstanding players for the winners and Hugh Taylor for the Redskins. We wish to thank all the players and spectators for helping out in a good cause.

Adult Dramatic Group: The adult dramatic group will be meeting very shortly as they have space and a day in the Community building. Time and place, Thursday from 8 to 10 in room 225.

All those interested are invited to attend. Mrs. Doris Mednick will be the instructor.

Life Guard School: Any individual 18 years and over can enroll in the course which will be held in D. C. at the American U. pool. First meeting will be at the American Red Cross building at 2020 Mass. Ave., N.W. on March 14 at 7 p.m.

Softball and Baseball: All those interested in going out for the Greenbelt unlimited softball and baseball team, please get in touch with Recreation office at 2726. We are planning an 8-team night softball league.

Drop-Inners Pack Basketball Games

The youth center was "literally packed" last weekend after the Varsity-Faculty basketball game on Friday and the Redskins-Lions game on Saturday, according to Mrs. Eileen Labukas, Drop-Inn director. The group danced to several new hit tunes added to the juke box selections, and rushed the snack bar for hamburgers.

Because of the two evenings of games, the junior high skating party was postponed to Friday night, March 10, and the bowling date was changed to Saturday, .March 11. Cars will leave the youth center on Friday at 7:30 and the bus will leave at 6:45 on Saturday as usual for the bowling members.

The third issue of the "Baby Co-operator" appeared last weekend and in it the members were reminded of the square dancing sessions now held on Thursday evenings.

It also reminded the boys and girls to sign up for a ballroom dancing class. The next issue is scheduled for Thursday, March 16.

Mrs. Fugitt Attends Atlanta Convention

Mrs. Elizabeth S. Fugitt, principal of the Greenbelt Center School, has returned from the convention of the Association of American School Administrators held in Atlanta, Georgia, during the week of February 24-March 2. Theme of the convention was "Human Relations." Among the prominent speakers were Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, David Lilienthal, Walter Reuther, and Branch Rickey.

Parent-School Ideas

Mrs. Fugitt attended a workshop on Parent-School Relationship led by Dr. E. J. McSain of Northwestern University. She reported that the schools here have been attempting to work on the ideas suggested at the meetings: that better relationships can be brought about by parent-teacher conferences, and by having parents help in the schools, as is done here. Other ideas are for the PTA's to form study groups (the schools in Greenbelt have room-mother groups). Parents can gain an interest in the work done by the children by visiting classrooms and having discussions with the children about the work they do in school. Through this program of parent-school interest, it was felt that school attendance would be increased and the children would have no caus for antagonism toward the schools.

Mrs. Fugitt stated that last Monday the state elementary school supervisor, Mrs. Grace Alder, visited Greenbelt schools with William Schmidt, assistant superintendent of schools and Mrs. Mary Jane Carey, county music supervisor. Mrs. Alder remarked on how well-cared-for and healthy the Greenbelt children appeared to be.

Boys Club Teams Take Eighth Win

Th Greenbelt Boys' Club junior basketball five chalked up the eighth consecutive win of the season last week by defeating Berwyn, 38-15. Roger Frady led the scoring for Greenbelt with 11 points. Bobby Dove and Kenny Miller each contributed seven.

The local 80-pound quint entertained and defeated the Berwyn Midgets 33-16. Fred Comings netted seven points and Ronny Brooks six in the one-sided victory.

Greenbelt's 90-pounders completed the successful week by defeating Markham's Esso of the Arlington County Recreation League 29-23 on the local court. Jim Stripling was high man in this contest with 14 points. David Schurr and Elmer Hershberger played excellent defensive ball for the victors.

The 80- and 90- pound clubs will travel to Washington Saturday where they meet Police Boys' Club No. 10. On Sunday afternoon, the 90-pounders will play host to the strong Eastern Branch Boys' Club of Washington.

University Women To Hold Banquet

Miss Frieda Miller, director of the Woman's' Bureau, Department of Labor, will be guest speaker at the annual banquet of the College Park Branch of the American Association of University Women, at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, March 13, in the dining hall of the University of Maryland. The choral group under the direction of Mrs. P. W. Durkee will present several selections. Mrs. J. E. Foster, special events chairman, is in charge of arrangements.

On Monday, March 20, the study group on Legal Status of Women will meet at the home of Mrs. E. A. Walker, 6903 Carleton Terrace, College Park. Guest speaker will be Mrs. Katherine Lawler, prominent Baltimore attorney.

U. S. Parks Seeking Greenbelt Acreage

Acording to PHA officials, exploratory discussions are underway on the deeding of park lands out of Greenbelt acreage to the federal park system. Negotiations are in progress, but since the matter is tied in with the disposal of Greenbelt no definite statement will be made on the matter at present.

The area desired by the Federal Park officials consists of 1000 acres located between Edmonston Road on the west, the Schrom Airport on the east, Good Luck road on the south, and Glenn Dale road on the north. They have detailed plans for the area, if acquired, which would include picnic grounds, golf links and trailer camp-sites.

Mrs. Brittingham, Son, Awarded Drop-Inn Cups

Last Saturday evening at the Drop-Inn the monthly outstanding parent cup was awarded for the second time, with Mrs. Roland Brittingham succeeding Mrs. Roehling for this honor.

At the same time, Bobby Brittingham was presented with the outstanding member's cup for the month of February. Presentations of the two cups were made by Joe Brosmer and Kenny Miller, presidents of the senior and junior high groups respectively.

Mrs. Grittingham was recognized for her interest and work with the youth center bowling league. She assisted Mrs. Labukas in organizing the league, and has accompanied the group on almost all of their bi-weekly trips to the University Alleys and has figured averages, handicaps, pinfalls, and team and individual records.

Bobby has assisted his mother with the bowling reports, and for his effort here he has been selected as the recipient of the outstanding member cup.

Both winners were selected by joint vote of the two groups of officers. Each cup is presented monthly.

High School Class Comes For Annual Co-op Tour

The economics class of Montgomery-Blair High School, Silver Spring, made its annual pilgrimage to Greenbelt last Friday afternoon to see cooperatives in action. Mrs. Emily Holloway, the teacher, a former Greenbelter, has arranged a field trip to Greenbelt in each of the past 3 years for her class. The 16 students visited the shopping center and met with General Manager Sam Ashelman, who led a brief discussion on cooperative principles and the problems and progress of Greenbelt Consumer Services.

Library Offers Lenten Reading

The Greenbelt Public Library recommends the following titles which are available for Lenten reading: Mary, Asch; The Bible and the Common Reader, Chase; The Big Fisherman, Douglas; The Robe, Douglas; On Being Fit to Live With, Fosdick; Sermon on the Mount, Fox; Witness to the Truth, Hamilton; The Way, Jones; Mr. Jones, Meet the Master, Marshall; Life of Christ, Papini; The Emperor's Physician, Perkins; On the Edge of the Forest Primeval, Schweitzer; Peace of Soul, Sheen; How to Live Effectively, Sneed; Epistle to White Christians, Wentzel.

In order to borrow books it is necessary to present your identification card which is issued at the time of registration. Under no circumstances can books be borrowed without this card, it was emphasized.

Democrats Pick 1950 Officers

The Greenbelt Democratic Club elected James Mundy president at its annual business meeting Monday night at the American Legion Post. Other officers chosen were Gladys Freeman, vice-president; Helen Zoellner, secretary; Margaret Ashelman, treasurer; Pete Greene, sergeant-at-arms; and R. L. J. Carmody, executive secretary.

The group paid dues of a dollar for the year before ballots were cast. Ahe next meeting will be held Wednesday, April 12, at the home of Thomas R. Freeman, 23-G Ridge Rd. All Greenbelters interested in the local Democratic Club will be invited to attend the meeting, at which 1950 dues will be payable. The new president asked members to assist the officers in enlarging local interest in the political welfare of Greenbelt.

Contributors Corner

Mrs. Audrey Kosisky, 4-A Laurel Hill, will probably think this item sounds vaguely familiar when she starts to read it and then realize with surprise that it is her own contribution, at long last. Lack of space has kept it out of this column until now. She will receive the usual assortment of prizes; two tickets to the GCS theater and a dozen soft drinks from Veterans' Liquors.

The following was told to me by a friend:

"Our two boys were talking to their little friend next door. Bobby said, proudly, "I'm six." The little friend next door countered, "That's nothing, I'm seven."

Douglas, 2½, determined not to be left out, chimed in, "I'm Douglas."

Akron Workers Consult GCS On Store Plans

Plans for a large co-op shopping center on a busy main street in Akron, Ohio, are in progress. A group of about 3000 rubber workers are buying stock on each pay day, with a goal of raising $250,000 in capital stock before construction is started. The new co-op will be know as Co-Op Enterprises of Akron. They have bought five acres in a business location. The shopping center will include a supermarket, general merchandise store, drug store, and gas station. Parking space for 300 cars will be provided.

At the invitation of their board, Sam Ashelman met with their organizing committee on February 26 to consult with them on business and management problems. R. E. Robertson (well-known to Greenbelters as 'Robbie') will help in the design and layout of the stores, in consultation with Greenbelt management.

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Measles Serious, Can Be Lightened

Measles is a common disease of childhood, but it is not to be taken lightly. The complications that can result from measles can injure a child's health permanently and perhaps endanger his life. An attack of measles, moreover, can leave a child vulnerable to serious infections of the eyes, the nose, the throat, and the digestive tract.

It is true that there is no specific way of preventing measle,s and isolation of the patient is not very effective. But measles can be a very serious illness for babies and young children in delicate health and parents make a mistake when they allow children to be exposed in a desire to "get it over with."

Protective Serum

When a mother knows or suspects that her baby has been exposed to measles, she should tell the doctor at once. While there is no immunizing agent against measles, the doctor can give the exposed child treatment that serves as temporary protection against a severe form of the disease. If the doctor can use a protective serum soon enough after exposure, measles might even be prevented. If, however, the child who is treated does get the measles, he is more likely to get the diseas in a milder form.

Highly Contagious

Measles is a highly contagious disease most commonly spread by direct contact. The "measles germ" itself is a virus—an agent so small it cannot be seen with an ordinary microscope—passed on in droplets of moisture by the coughing, sneezing, and talking of a person who has the measles.

Measles is usually spread by a person "getting" the disease—for some days before the characteristic red rash appears.

Early Symptoms

The early symptoms of measles are similar to those of a cold and include sneezing, running nose, and watery eyes. At times the patient vomits and has a slight fever. The red spots appear on the skin a few days after infection has set in, and usually fade in three or four days.

At the slightest suspicion that a child is getting measles, he should be put to bed at once and the doctor called immediately. If the child does have the measles, the doctor will best advise the parents on how to care for him.

Precautions

Other children in the household should be kept away from the sick child to protect him from any infections they might have. Special measures should be taken to protect infants and children, because the younger a child is, the more dangerous measles can be for him.

Although measles is primarily a disease of children, it can attack at any age. And, if neglected, it can lead to serious complications as easily in adult life as in childhood.

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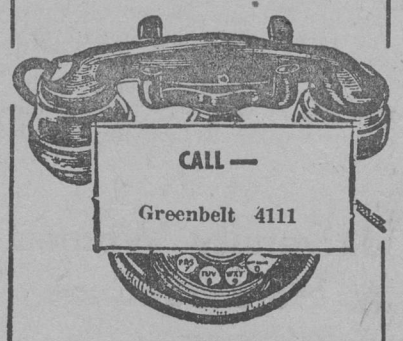
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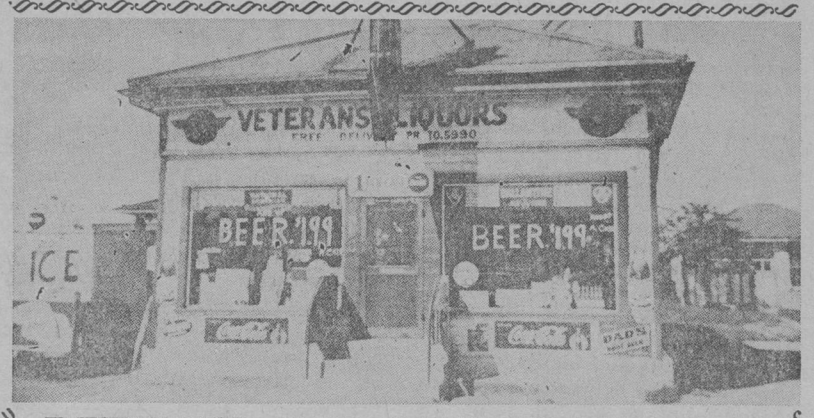
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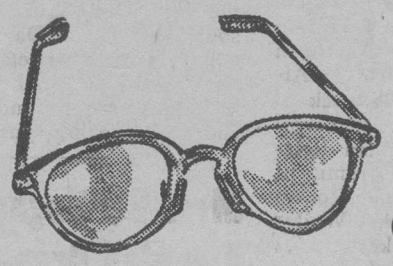
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